THE WIDE AWAKE CIRCLE

BOYS AND GIRLS DEPARTMENT

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Write plainly on one side of the paper only, and number the pages.

2. Use pen and ink, not pencil.

3. Short and pointed articles will be given preference. Do not use over Original stories or letters only the eye as the sun is to Us. will be used,
5. Write your name, age and address plainly at the bottom of the story.
Address all communications to Uncle

Jed, Bulletin Office. "Whatever you are—Be that! Whatever you say—Be true! Straightforwardly act, Be honest-in fact,

Be nobody else but you." POETRY. Battle Bunny

Bunny, lying in the grass, Saw the shining column pase; Saw the starry banner fly. Saw the chargers fret and fume, Saw the flapping hat and plume-Saw them with his moist and shy ost unspeculative eye, Thinking only in the dew, That it was a fine review— Till a flash not all of steel, Where the rolling calsson's wheel Brought a rumble and a roar Rolling down that velvet floor, and like blows of autumn flail sharply thrashed the Iron hall. Sunny, thrilled by unknown fears, laised his soft and pointed ears.

As the sharp vindictive yell Rose above the screaming shell; Thought the world and all its menthe charging squadrons meant— were rabbit hunters then to capture him intent. was not much to blame Wiser folk have thought the same.

Wildly panting here and there. Sunny sought the freer air.
Cill he hopped below the hill,
and saw, lying close and still. den with muskets in their hands.

> My Small Brown Dog By Miss A. G. Thayer.

He does not wait till I appear; A sixth sense tells him I am near; He greets me with a clarion clear— My small brown dog.

tell him worrying odds and ends
of things too small for human friends.
most attentive ear he bends—
My small brown dog.

TII. He never asks the reason why: He never makes a "fool" reply. Nor wonders when I smile or sigh—

My small brown dog. IV. They say this world sees all of him,

out that's because their sight is dim. think the glorious seraphim Like small brown dogs. UNCLE JED'S TALK TO WIDE-AWAKES

What do you suppose makes the sky hive. You haven't thought of this. Well, millions of people have lived and and and will live and die without asking themselves this question.

We are told by astronomers there are millions of worlds in space, but

moisture and dust.

The moon has no atmosphere and if we were upon that we should see the sun glaring through a black canopy STORIES WRITTEN BY WIDEand it would not seem so pleasing to

The small particles of mist or mois ture divide the rays of the sun's light and spread a blue haze all over the heavens, and in wet weather the blue is much darker than in dry weather.

We have Cobalt blue-a sky color: marine blue-a sea color; indigo blue -a mineral color. And there is an fawn is lighter and spotted; they have indefinable blue known as air blue, brown eyes which are bright and ex-pressive; their tail is brown and bushy; they also have long ears which which is seen in mountain gorges in this country and in Scotland.

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It is the sun shining through clouds of dust and mist in the atmosphere

As I stood looking at this particular of dust and mist in the atmosphere which makes the rainbow in the sky and the surrise crimson and sunset glory which so delights our eyes. It was about to go one of them lifted its is also the cause of the afterglow, which in some countries continues for several hours after the sun goes down, still it did not run, then I remembered There are some things which are stories I had heard of deer becoming quite tame and coming in with cows

of them-it is not the same to all eyes -it is the extent of sight and sight varies. There is really no canopy or heavens over the head, but oceans of space.

This atmosphere in which we live is about five miles deep, deep as the ocean off the island of Guam, near specified and stately than any other deer. HELEN COOMES, Age 15.

the Philippines, and above that all of space is as black as night. The friction of the sun's rays upo

the earth cause the earth to be lighted and when the sun ceases to shine up on the earth it is night.

THE WINNERS OF BOOKS.

1-Frances E. Adams, of Eagleville: Bunny Brown and His Sister Sue in Camp Rest-a-While:

2-Christine Burdick of Jewett City: A Child's Garden of Verses. 3-Katherine Hickey of Montville Madge Morton's Trust, 4-Beatrice E. Burnham of Hamp-

ton: Bunny Brown and His Sister Suc at Grandpa's Farm. 5 Jessie L. Brehaut of Red Bank. N. J., R. F. D.; The Scarlet Letter.

6-Lillian M. Brehaut of Red Bank, N. J., R. F. D.: Automobile Girls as 7-Helen Coombs of South Canter

Little Lame Prince.

LETTERS OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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I thank you very much for the fine story book. I just wished I had one of the Pony Rider Boys story books.

not one of them has a blue sky that for which I thank you very much. I has not an atmosphere or that is not have read it through and found it very

growing.
I like to ride over the Connecticut

ver road and through the long, dark My two little cousins were there,

When grandpa gathered the pumpkins we helped, too. We carved funny faces on the small ones and lit them at night. ces on the small ones and lit them When she heard of it she could hardly await the coming of that event-ful day.

We expect to go again soon. I have lots of good times planned.

JOSEPHINE ATWOOD, Age 9.
Williamstic.

Thomas Jefferson.
There were many great men of the Revolutionary period. Among these was Thomas Jefferson.
He was the author of the Declaration of Independence. His father was a Virginian planter and surveyor.
Jefferson was born in 1743 and like most Virginia boys was fond of hunting, riding, and swimming; but he did not waste his life in sport. He attended Williamsburg college and became a famous student. Sometimes he studied fifteen hours a day.
While he was a student, the colonies were thrown into violent excitement by the passage of the Stamp Act in England. While this excitement was ranking lefferson heard the famous into the story was ranking lefferson heard the famous was loss of the Stamp Act in England. While this excitement was ranking were valued highly among that event fold day.

After a long long time, the 28th of May arrived, bringing with it about 20 girls, as no boys had been invited. When all had arrived, each was given a torch, and they all gathered to made a torch, and they all gathered when the oldest child present lit her torch and told a story. After it had burned out, the story was done.

After all the stories were told, Intimated the passage around. Meanwhite each was thinking which the best.

Now all told their decisions and a prize was awarded to that one.

If I should give you five, so I will tell you. It was a pair of copper earrings!

You all may were valued highly among the lodday.

Here is a recipe for Ginger Snaps, of which I am very fond:

Ginger Snaps: One cup molasses, one-half cup butter, three and one-half tenspoons salt. Boil the molasses two minutes and nour on the butter; sift together thoroughly the molasses, what would you say that it was? I am survey our would not guess; even if I should give you five, so I will tell you. It was a pair of copper earrings!

You all may weit exclaim, but these to stamp and bake in a minute, then beat until comm in the day.

Here is a re

England. While this excitement was raging Jefferson heard the famous speech of Patrick Henry against the Stamp Act. This speech made a great impression on young Jefferson and in 1796 he was elected vice president. In 1800 he was chosen president

MARY E. MURPHY, Age 11.

A Brick Doll House. Houses are built of many materials.

There are brick houses, stone houses and frame houses, but the very latest thing is the cornstalk house,

In the Fourth Grade,

Hor Sister's First Serious Accident.

Dear Uncle Jed: Here are several ecipes which I use often, as I cook

This is my favorite rule for fudge:

MARIAN W. WHEELER Age 14.

A Fourth of July Celebration.

Dear Uncle Jed: Monday, the third, went to Easthampton, Mass., to

Stonington.

green cardboard or wood. Leave ob-long spaces for windows and doors and build a flight of front steps, sticking bent toothpicks on each side for rallings. Toothpicks pressed inside the windows make the sashes, and bits of STORIES WRITTEN BY WIDEAWAKES.

The Deer.

One day as I was taking a stroll through the dense woods, looking for flowers, I happened to look toward a hill and I saw three enormous noble looking deer; the woods concealed me from them, thus giving a chance to steps. Some other time I will tell the

hill and I saw three enormous noble looking deer; the woods concealed me fancy roof porch to go over the front from them, thus giving a chance to have a fine view.

The deer is of a brown color, but the fawn is lighter and spotted; they have KATHERINE HICKEY.

With a little patience any one can make cornstalk furniture. First cut the joints out of the stalks, and thus head and came toward me. I stood there, but the deer seemed to have no fear of me. I stamped my feet but the joints out of the stalks, and thus reduce them to short lengths. With a jackknife strip the thin outer shell from the pieces. You will then have a stick of pith, easily worked, but surprisingly firm and durable. The pith makes the legs and cross pieces of the furniture. To hold them in place, use pins made of the outer shell. Sharpen both ends and thrust one end into each of the two pieces of pith that you wish to faster together. proached them.

After they were tired of eating they turned and with leaps and bounds they

and showing no fear when anyone approached them.

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To-Helen Coombs of South Canterbury: Automobile Girls at Washington morning my brother came from the barn and sail: "Flossie has got two cunning kittens."

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An Indian Party.

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Chocolate Chocolate Fudge: One cup milk, a pinch of sait, two squares chocolate two cups sugar one tablespoon butter, one tenspoon vanilla. Put butter, milk, sugar, salt and chocolate into sauce-The father and mother of this little girl resolved that they would give Rippling Brook (for that was her

name) a party.
When she heard of it she could

One Egg Cake: One-quarter cup butter, one cup sugar, one-half cup milk, one egg, well beaten, one and two-thirds cups flour, one and one-half teaspoons baking powder.

I hope these recipes will be tried and found satisfactory. I am sure thay will be to see for careful in work. dent. In 1809 he was chosen president played, and then the party came to an they will be if one is careful in makend. BEATRICE E. BURNHAM, Age 13.

Hampton.

The Events of a Day. As I had to go to the dentist in Norwich last Thursday, there was an- I

other friend of mine had to go, so we spend the Fourth. At ten thirty p thing is the cornstalk house,
Of course, you all know houses made
of cornstarch brick is not for people
to live in, but it is a real house for
dolls instead of people.

Any girl or boy who will take pains
can learn to build a brick doll boyse.

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Dear Uncle Jed: My cat has two kit-tens. They both have double paws and have blue eyes. One is gray and the other one is white spotted with black and yellow.

My blue were water field sports. In the afternoon there was a band concert in the open air across the street from where I was staying.

At seven thirty there was another hand concert in the open air across the street from where I was staying. and have blue eyes. One is gray and the other one is white spotted with black and yellow.

My big cat is gray and white. She has lots of trouble with her kittens, for when she wiggles her tail they grab it and bite it.

The kittens are very nice. They sleep in our bed, also in my mother's slipper. They are very lively.

FERDINAND FOISY, Age 11.

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The last was the American flag, made of fireworks.

FRANCES E. ADAMS. Are 12.

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Catherine's Doll.

Cornstalk Doll Furniture.

Far back from the railway in a southern mountaineer settlement a traveler found the children making doll furniture out of cornstalks. There were no other toys in the isolated settlement except rag babies and dolls crudely whittled out of wood.

With a little patience any one can make cornstalk furniture.

Catherine's Doll.

Dear Uncle Jed: I thought I would write and tell you about my doll. I got her for Christmas, She has a blue flower on it, a white dress, with blue flowers on it; blue stockings, white thement except rag babies and dolls crudely whittled out of wood.

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South Windham. Dear Uncle Jed: I will be in the fourth grade at school next year. My brother will be in the fifth grade. I

Aunt Abby's Picnic.

Dear Uncle Jed: I had a good time at Aunt Abby's picnic July 27th. Of course, you know that was a Social Dear Uncle Jed: I will tell you about my eister's first serious accident. It occurred in the summer while she was good I over. Only a few were there when other we arrived, as it was raining. njoying a short vacation.

Aly uncle wished to give her a good I

time, so took her and several other relatives and friends to Ocean Beach in the auto, starting early in the even-

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At night when it was cooler I came borne.

CHRISTINE BIRDICK, Age 9.

Jewett City.

When Anna Lived On a Farm.

Dear Uncle Jed: When we lived on a farm in Franklin, we had tencows and I think we had six horses, cows and I think we had six horses, we had plays and chickens. I was five twas sold then.

Lives, costing several thousand dollars, and yeventually be replaced by the mean of the prove its practice of Anmori in northern Japan and that they passed their boyhood there together. Their families had been friends for generations and one of the fruits of this friendship was that Mr. Sato, who is of medium height, light on social circles.

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Mr. Sato's first ministerial post was the diplomatic dutles, he quietly finds a rod

interesting, so I thought I would try my luck again.

Grace A. Burrill, of Stafford Springs — Thank you very much for the prize book entitled "The High School Pitcher."

Flossie Meyer, of Taffville—I thank you for the book I received, Madge Morton's Victory." It is an enjoyable book.

Alfred Levetsky, of Norwich — I thank you many times for the prize book was and the until it in the process of the prize book was and the until it thickens into one big lump. When it reaches into one big lump. When it re eral motor trucks in service between interior districts and the larger towns where the only means of transporta-tion today consists of carts and pact

tion today consists of carts and paca animals.

"Bolivia, one of the world's most diversified countries topographically, has been using the commercial automobile for several years to great advantage. Railways were not being built with ahe activity that the country's trade demanded, and trucks were introduced on a regular run from Potosi to Sucre, a distance of 150 miles tost to Sucre, a distance of 150 mil where highways are far from goo This was an experiment in freight a passenger service; and the cars longo demonstarted their practicability. Since the advent of the truck in E livia the roads have received more at-tention than formerly; the pleasure car has become a necessity and their number has increased, especially in La

Paz.
"Peru, as everyone knows, is not land with many miles of automobile roads. There are, however, in Lima the capital, over 300 machines, many of which are used as taxicabs. In Colombia the department of Public Works has made plans, backed by government appropriations, for constructing highways suitable for automobiles. Among these may be men land with many miles of automob structing highways suitable for automobiles. Among these may be mentioned \$15.000 for a road from Popayan to Paste: \$5,000 for one from Pamplona to Cansanare; \$24,000 yearly for bigbway improvements from Bogota to Boyaca: \$19,000 for a road from Santa Alarte into the coffee district of that section; and a subvention of \$30,000 for a road to the medicinal springs pear Barranguilla. Venezuela, notor a road to the medicinal springs ar Berranguilla. Venezuela, not-ithstanding that gasoline is 50 cents gallon in Caracas, is buying cars and aproving roads. During the last fis-it year 3 auto trucks and 227 pleaste cars were shipped to that country on the United States.

The greatest natural field for the atomobile, however, in South Amera is to be found in Argentina, Espain, and Uruguay, and in each of thes countries proved highways are be extended and motor vehicles multi-ling rapidly. In 1913 Argentina one imported 5,115 automobiles. Ar utomobile show is to be held in Buc-os Aires this year in connection with the country's centennial celebration, an and Baron Takahira to the Portsmouth sht of by the American manufactur-

NEW JAPANESE AMBASSADOR WELL KNOWN IN AMERICA

Many Visits Since.

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Baby Tortured with Rash Healed in Three Days by

Here is proof and baby's picture "I am sending a photo of baby Sanford, who suffered tortures from a rash which covered her entire

body. After using Com-fort Powder night and fort Powder night and morning for three days the rash disappeared. Comfort Powder is not only the nurses' best friend, but baby's but baby's best friend, but baby's baby's best friend, but baby's bab friend."-A. M. Lawrence, Flint, Mich.

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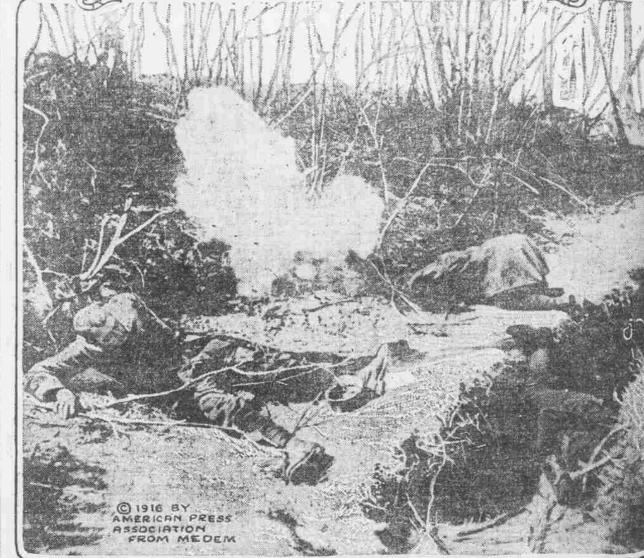
It was while he was minister to Holand that Mr. Sato attended the second His University Education Hore and International Conference and the International Opium Coference and it was shortly before the outbreak of the way into the remote sections of South America, and that the great southern continent will eventually offer an immense territory for the automobile manufacturer to take into consideration and to curityate, is brought out in the manufacturer to take into consideration and to curityate, is brought out in the manufacturer of the Bulletin of the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C. American Union, Washington, D. C. Even in those countries where good coads are scarce it is beginning to the diplomatic post but also because of the curity before the outbreak of the present European war that he was automobile and the was automobile of the court of Austria. It is ambassador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssador to the court of Austria. It is ambassadorship was brief and dramatic. "It lasted just indicted Amabssadorship was brief and dramatic." It lasted just indicted Amabssadorship wa

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team and cart in general use at preswas one of his classmates. Another
though regret is expressed at the de-

he can find a spare moment in his dip-lomatic duties, he quietly finds a rod and seeks repose fishing. Being in indifferent health, Mrs. Sa-to, will not accompany her husband to

Milford. - Yesterday announcement was made that no children under 16 years of age will be allowed to go to



dolls instead of people.

Any girl or boy who will take pains can learn to build a brick doll house.

For a very small brick house, take one-fourth of a cup of constarch, mix thoroughly, and add one-fourth of a cup of cold water. You want to color them a very dark reddish orange with water color paints, so as to give them the appearance of the color them the appearance of the color them as to give them the appearance of the color them as to give them the appearance of the color them as to give them the appearance of the color them as to give them the appearance of the color them as to give them the appearance of the color them as the color than the color them as the color than t

EARLE'S VICTORY

A disconsolate look settled on Mrs.

Steele's countenance as she gazed upon her shelves and realized that her

"Never mind the ciothes, my boy." into sickness and realized that her had sickness had used up let surplus money and her supplies were running short and it would be some time before she would be able to work amin to support herself and her two children.

"Never mind the clothes, my boy," Go into the contest with a firm determination to win that gold piece, and you can then procure you some new ones. Do your very best and I firmly believe you will win."

Earle worked with a will, and spent worked with a will, and spent of the selection of the contest with a firm determination to win that gold piece, and you can then procure you some new ones. Do your very best and I firmly believe you will win."

For this and for other reasons the neighbors did not even know of the poor woman's sickness, so the family was left without any one to give them a helping hand until some encouraging

word from his teacher fanned the spark of ambition and set it aglow, for in spite of poverty and old clothes Earle resolved to find some means of helping his dearly beloved, sick moth-There was something really heroic the resolution which this poor, dis-

and tightly compressed lips, for he was only thirteen years of age.
Although Ethel was younger, he snew that his sister would help him when he knew what to do, but for the present it was her duty to wait on the

while still waiting for an opportunity to help his mother. Earle worked hard at school and won the respect and good-will of his teacher. He also continued each afternoon after school to drive Neighbor Griswold's lows from the pasture, and in this work he procured the needed milk for way he procured the needed milk for have won the prize and now I believe that if we try Ethel and I can get lit-

This practice served to strengthen and encourage him so that at his eachers' suggestion he became a contest in a prize speaking contest which was to be held by the boys of the covernment of th

The teacher asked him to join the beset our way. "What! Me," cried Earle, redden- N. H.

dildren.

Her husband's death after a long and pathful sickness several years before had left her with only a small eum of money after all expenses were mild but she was then strong and well. Her strength had been overtaxed in struzzling to supply the necessities of life and to keep her two children in school, and now she found herself almost willing to drift, as it were anyhow and anywhere.

As she thought of the efforts she had made of her failures, she muttered to herself. "What's the use of trying—for I have tried." She was still too weak to realize that this feeling was due to her sickness and lack of afternish.

This idea seemed to predominate throughout the household for Earle and Ethel had grown careless and did not tidy up the house or care for their looks and dress as well.

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and Ethel had grown careless and did not tidy up the house or care for their looks and dress as well as they might have done.

As they had only recently moved into the town no wonder the family was canildered shiftless.

"Earle Steele is a nice fellow, Ethel Steele is a nice fellow, Ethel Steele is a noce fel and honors, the audience was com-pletely carried away by his ardent zeal. As he in a clear and convincing voice told of the lives of these living heroes, who, too, had worn old shabby clothes, and had also known what it was at times to be poor and hungry, forgot his own old worn garments and forgot his own old worn garments an

his hearers were lost in thought and wonder. They had forgotten their surroundings and were listening most intently to the words of the earnest, inspired and enthusiastic lad as if they were afraid that they would miss even an expression of his counterpass. an expression of his countenance.

As Earl closed his speech with the words: "If we cannot do as we would. let us make the most of what is, of our present opportunities," a storm of applause burst from the audience. Earle, of course, won the five dollar gold piece. Then with bright, sparkiing eyes and burning cheeks he has-tened home and ilung into his math-er's lap as she sat with a painful look

on her emaciated face, trying to put a patch on his old cost, the prize, exclaiming: Oh mother! Cheer up! See here, that if we try Ethel and I can get little things to do until you are well, for the people will employ us now."

The mother dropped her sewing and kissed her boy on his brow, then burst into tears. In a few minutes she checked her sobs. Although the tears continued to checke age, other down.

and to overcome all obstacles that will